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IN A DISK DRIVE

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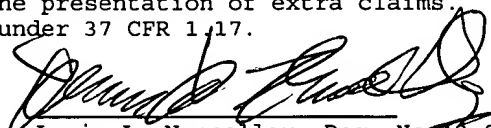
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**RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 17, 2003, please enter the following amendments for the above-identified application.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 2-11 and 14. Please amend claims 1 and 12 as indicated below.

*SUB B1*  
*A1*

1. (Amended) A method of burnishing a rear pad of a slider within a disk drive, the read pad being formed of a burnishable material and maintaining an element for reading and/or writing, the disk drive further including a spindle motor rotatably driving a

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